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LOW MONEY GOES

County Clerk Instructed to Make a Detailed Statement in All Departments.

SALARY OF CIRCUIT CLERK

Claims to the Amount of \$7000 Were Allowed Friday—Contract for Heating Court House—New Roof.

THE COURT AGAIN IN DECEMBER

The board of supervisors adjourned Friday afternoon after a session of four days. Supervisor John Allen mapped out a lot of work for the county clerk on a motion that there should be prepared a statement of the county's indebtedness and a list of the county's current expenses. The latter item was to include both the current and the past year's expenses. The statement of the county's indebtedness was to include the amount of the county's debt at the end of the year, the amount of the county's debt at the beginning of the year, and the amount of the county's debt during the year. The statement of the county's current expenses was to include the amount of the county's expenses for the year, the amount of the county's expenses for the past year, and the amount of the county's expenses for the future year.

NO INCREASE.

The fees and salary committee reported that the salary of the circuit clerk for the year beginning December 1 should be \$1000. There was no sum fixed for the assistants but the report from the committee recommended that the pay of the assistants in that office be at the rate paid by private or corporate business for clerical work of similar services, taking into consideration the adaptability of the persons so employed and regulating their compensation more or less on their individual case may seem to justify.

THE BILLS.

The various committees presented reports approving claims against the county and recommending that orders be drawn against the treasury as follows: Fees and salary committee, \$3245.17; of this sum \$1103.20 was charged against the jail account. Other reports were purchasing \$174.24; public buildings, \$600.23. This report rejected the claim of G. D. Bernard & Co. for \$117 for a metal book rack placed in the office of the county treasurer. The statement was made that the rack was placed there by the county with the understanding that it should be paid for by satisfaction. It is not satisfactory as to date.

The paper committee refused to allow the claim of Mrs. Susan Harris who wanted \$180 for nursing Mrs. Della Denney. The claimant lives at 1233 North Broadway. The total of the claims allowed by the paper committee was \$2776.90. The same committee approved the report of H. Hays, superintendent of the poor farm.

TAX RATE.

The finance committee recommended that the county clerk extend on the tax rate 25 cents per hundred dollars on all real personal and railroad property for current expenses and also for the payment of courthouse bond to the extent of \$12,000.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

On motion of Supervisor Bean the chair appointed a committee of three to investigate and learn what was needed in the way of furniture in the office of the county treasurer. The chair named Bean, Davidson and Tucker.

Meers, Ward, Kiber and Aldridge were named as a special committee to confer with the highway commissioners in Long Creek township in relation to the building of a bridge across Big Creek.

HEATING AND BRIDGE TAX.

The contract for heating the courthouses and jail was let to the Decatur Heating company at \$1082.85 for the ensuing year. On motion of Supervisor Bean the county clerk was instructed to levy 40 cents on the hundred dollars for road and bridge purposes in all townships except Hickory Point which is to be just double that sum.

JURY LIST.

The various members presented a list of names from their respective townships amounting to 15 per cent of all the legal voters in those townships. Of these names three hundred were put in the jury box for the county court and the same number in the jury box for the circuit court. The total list of names selected will be used during the coming two years.

THE ROOF.

The late George Dewitt had the contract for re-roofing the courthouse and the addition of Supervisor Kipp and the public building committee was given authority to dispose of that matter as they deemed best.

ELECTION JUDGES.

Supervisor J. H. Blue Monday presented three names for election judges in Blue Mound for the next two years and they were approved as follows: E. W. Johnson, T. M. Taylor and W. E. Davis. The board then adjourned until the second Tuesday in December.

STORM SUFFERERS.

Families From La Place Lost Heavily in the Storm.
The effects of the dreadful Texas cyclone came much nearer home than has been known, a family who recently lived in Decatur and several families who formerly lived in La Place having suffered the loss of all their property and in one or two cases injuries for life were sustained. They were the Wynne, Shively and Saylor families, well-to-do citizens of La Place, and the family of Isaac Schoolcraft, who formerly resided in Decatur. All suffered greatly from the storm. They were located at Missouri City, Tex., about one hundred miles from the gulf. Mrs. Schoolcraft, who is well known in Decatur, was injured and will be crippled for life.

Mrs. John Wynne writes to relatives at La Place: "We had 21 for breakfast this morning. We had nothing to eat but bread and water and that is all gone. God only knows where we are going to get our dinner. Our horses and mules were all killed. Our barn and contents destroyed and our house moved twenty feet by the storm."
Relatives at La Place have sent money to help the families home, chartering a car for what few household goods there are left, later letters saying that absolutely nothing is left of barns or provisions and that one or two of the families have had their homes destroyed also.

FISH OF ILLINOIS

Being Gathered and Classified at the State University.
Walter Miller left yesterday for Champaign, where he will re-enter the University of Illinois and resume his studies. During the greater part of the summer he was at Mordaka collecting in the work being prosecuted by the Illinois Biological Association. The association is completing the work of gathering specimens of and classifying the fishes of the waters in this state.

At present the work is in charge of C. A. Kufak, associate professor of zoology at the University of Illinois and next spring he hopes to have the work in such shape that he will be able to publish a bulletin of the results. S. A. Forbes, state entomologist, and H. Gorman, formerly engaged in this work at odd times for 20 years, recently, however, it has been more systematically pushed and during the last few months especially, much has been accomplished. The Illinois schools in various cities have given out a little assistance. Equipments and instructions for getting specimens were sent to almost every county in the state and the young men in the schools collected the specimens. The results of the work are being sent to the University.

TO FAR AWAY INDIA.

Miss Sims, Formerly of Decatur, to Make a Long Trip to Wed.
Miss Anna Sims, a former teacher in the Decatur High school, will sail from New York one week from today for Liverpool, India, where she will meet and marry a man who has been identified with the Northern University at Chicago for several years and who is now professor of Sanskrit in an Indian university. There is quite a romantic story connected with Miss Sims' approaching marriage which was heard by her Decatur friends during her recent visit here. Upon leaving Decatur Miss Sims went to the Northwestern, where she has taken a four-year course of study along a special line. While there she met the young man whom she is to marry and who is a native of Calcutta. They became fast friends and over a year ago he went to Rome, Italy, to further pursue his studies. While there he was offered the position he now holds in the college in India and accepted it. After reaching India the arrangements for the wedding were made and Miss Sims will travel to Bombay for the marriage which will be performed there.

CAN'T CAN.

Five Hundred Acres of Corn Unit for Use for That Purpose.
The statement is made that 500 acres of the sweet corn planted by the canning company at Warrsburg will not be fit for canning purposes. There was a little trouble getting the machinery started this season and the delay occasioned was nearly two weeks. That was the grain a long start and the product of 500 acres will not be used. There was a total of 1900 acres seeded and the output, if the factory continued as usual, as expected, will be nearly 1,500,000 cans of corn. Another week at least will see the factory closed for the season. The 500 acres referred to will not be a total loss for it may be used for feed or for seed.

DEEDS RECORDED.

John E. Einsinger to James N. Gline lot 12 and 13 in Williams' survey of Gull's addition to Decatur; \$1500.
Sherman A. Fouts to Charles H. Hathaway lot 2 in block 1 in J. K. Warren & Co.'s fourth addition to Decatur; \$1800.
Jeremiah Hermet to Mary L. Johnson, lot 100 in block 7 in Cassell's addition to Decatur; \$1.
Charles H. Hathaway to Sherman A. Fouts lot 4 in block 9 in East Park Boulevard; \$300.
Mary L. Johnson to Sarah Bartlett lot 1 in block 7 in Cassell's addition to Decatur; \$1.
P. H. Bruck to John E. Einsinger lots 12 and 13 in Williams' survey in block 2 of Gull's addition to Decatur; \$2000.
Ann V. Shelby to Ella M. Shelby, lots 6 and 7 in block 5 in North side Park addition to Decatur; \$1.
Wm. Hiser to Chas. W. Dingman lots 1, 2 and 3 in block 9 in circuit court subdivision of White estate in Nianton; \$850.

ROUGH TIME ON THE LAKE.

Mrs. Charles Reddick Had an Exciting Experience.
Mrs. Charles Reddick was in visiting relatives near Cleveland writes to her husband of the thrilling experiences of a party on Lake Erie last Saturday of which she was a member. They had intended crossing the lake and were out thirty miles from the land when a high wind struck them. It was one of the worst storms ever experienced on the lake and the boat was tossed about by the water until the rudder was dislocated and then the entire party believing that each hour was their last on earth.

The distress was blowing all the while and finally another boat came to their rescue but the sea was so rough that no assistance could be rendered and the rescuer finally left and stood to the port and sent a tug boat to their aid. By that time the wind had abated somewhat and the tug was able to have them a rope by which the disabled boat was towed in to port. For three hours the boat had been tossed about helplessly by the waves and most of the passengers were ready to give up the ghost.

DIDN'T LAST.

Warrensburg Interested in a Recent Marriage and Separation.
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A SHORT ILLNESS

Ex-Alderman Dewitt Seized With Congestive Chills Thursday and Dies Friday.

HAD LIVED HERE SINCE 1890

But in That Time He Had Made a Wide Acquaintance—Buried at Waukegan, Ill. Today.

TWO TERMS IN THE COUNCIL.

Friends of George F. Dewitt were shocked Friday afternoon at the news of his death which occurred at his home, 642 West Decatur street at 12:30 o'clock. Few of them realized that his condition was in any way alarming. Death was due to heart failure and congestion of the stomach. For some weeks past Mr. Dewitt has not been feeling well but he remained at his business until Thursday when he went to his home. During the afternoon, however, he felt well enough to be on the street, going to the grocery store and meeting a number of his friends. Later he was seized with a congestive chill and from that time his condition was alarming. For some time prior to his death he was unwell, although he had a rally spell during which time he told his physicians and relatives of the suffering he was undergoing. Then he lapsed into unconsciousness and remained in that condition until death relieved him.

Although not an old resident of Decatur Mr. Dewitt was widely known. He was born in Springfield, Ohio, October 20, 1850, and lived for many years in his native state. In 1890 he came to Decatur and went to work for J. L. Stout. He was a capable worker by trade and was accounted an excellent workman. After remaining with Mr. Stout for a number of years he went into business for himself and proved to be very successful. He had been in business for himself for three or four years and had built up a fine trade. At the time of his death, he had among other contracts, one for re-roofing the court house.

His active interest in state and local politics made him a well known man about town. Four years ago last spring he was elected alderman from the third ward and two years ago he was re-elected to the same position, retiring during the past spring. He was a member of the republican county central committee and was actively engaged at the time of his death in arranging the details of the campaign work for this year. Mr. Dewitt is survived by his wife and three brothers. They are James Dewitt of this city, J. C. Dewitt of Battle Creek, Mich., and O. H. Dewitt of Chicago.

Mr. Dewitt was generous to a fault. He was a wholehearted, charitable inclined man, but for all that he was a man of great tenacity of purpose and clung to his opinions always with the firm conviction that he was right. He never surrendered his opinion until convinced that he was in error and then he would gracefully admit that he had been wrong. It was this aggressive disposition that made him well known both in private and public life. As a member of the city council he was never known to yield until convinced that he was himself in error or until it had shown to him by plain call that he had been outwitted. His friends speak glowingly of the charitable side of his nature. They say that no one in distress ever appealed to him in vain, and that his willingness to help a fellow being led for untold times himself often resulted in his being imposed upon.

The remains were taken to Chicago on the midnight train and will be buried to day in the family lot at Waukegan, Illinois.

A brief funeral service was held at the residence Friday night at 9 o'clock, attended by neighbors and friends of the deceased. Rev. Frost Craft spoke briefly and offered a prayer and a few songs were given.

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SUIT OVER A DOG

Tom Stoner Seeks to Recover the Value of His Canine.

ESTIMATED FROM \$25 TO \$100

Dog's Pedigree and Habits Under Discussion All Day—High Bred But Sucked Eggs.

VERDICT WAS AGAINST STONER

The ghost of Tom Stoner's dog held the boards in the court of Justice O. W. Smith Friday and the dog experts of the county were called in to tell what the dog was worth in dollars and cents in the days when he walked the earth and stalked the wily prairie chicken and the quill to a standstill. It was a valuable dog to Tom Stoner but he was unable to convince the jury that the dog was worth any more than the ordinary canine added to the very bad and of times claimed by Stoner that the dog was a "pedigree" dog. Stoner claimed that the dog was a "pedigree" dog and that it was worth \$100. The jury, however, was not convinced and the verdict was against Stoner.

Stoner and Merrie are wealthy land owners and farmers residing in Mt. Zion township. Stoner raised his dog some time in August a year ago and the disappearance was the mystery of the neighborhood. It was a valuable dog of the kind and highly prized by the owner. It was claimed by the evidence introduced that the dog had a pedigree that royal blue blood coursed in its veins. It was proven on oath that the dog was whelped by a mother in whose veins flowed the blood of royal Irish and Gordon setters and on his sire's side a speckled pointer of the bluest blood claimed superiority in the pedigree. While the pedigree was a little exaggerated the dog had a pedigree of the kind and highly prized by the owner. It was claimed by the evidence introduced that the dog had a pedigree that royal blue blood coursed in its veins. It was proven on oath that the dog was whelped by a mother in whose veins flowed the blood of royal Irish and Gordon setters and on his sire's side a speckled pointer of the bluest blood claimed superiority in the pedigree.

The case came up in the forenoon and the entire day was devoted to hearing the story of the witnesses. About twenty-five witnesses from the vicinity of the dog's home, and Decatur were on the stand telling of its virtues. Among the witnesses were Chas. Powers, Ollie Scott, Merrie Henry and Van Gundy. They were called on to fix the value of the dog and according to the testimony the dog was worth all the way from \$25 to \$100. Stoner said the dog was worth \$75. Then there arose the question among the attorneys as to how to fix the value of the best. Attorney Fitzgerald claimed the value should be based on what he would sell at in the market of the world and not on what Tom Stoner thought he was worth to him. That was left to the jury to decide.

Merrie was called on the stand and said that during the month of August he had been bothered by some dog rubbing his head against him and breaking up setting hens, as many as a dozen, nests being broken up. The dog always visited the hens nests during the night time and Merrie could not get a look at the dog to see what it was like. One night he heard a dog barking among the hen roosts and he went to see what was the matter and he saw the dog slipped out and was at the spot at the dog house. The next morning the hired man found a dog lying dead along the road side near the barn lot gate and he informed Merrie. He dragged the dog to the court and made feed for the buzzards. Merrie said that he did not know whose dog it was that he had shot at, but that the description of the dead one answered that of Stoner's dog. Then the character of the dog was discussed. Stoner testified that his dog would not suck eggs as he had been submitted to a test. In rebuttal of that testimony another witness went back on the dog's record and testified that he seen the dog suck two eggs three years ago. At that stage of the testimony it was an open question whether the dog would be good at home and suck eggs when away. The title between the attorneys was frequently and it appeared several times as the court would not interfere to keep the attorneys from doing each other bodily injury. However at about 3:20 o'clock the case was submitted to the jury and it took that body just about two minutes to finish the job that the attorneys had been wrestling with all day. They returned a verdict of not guilty.

CATHOLIC MISSION.

A Ten Days Service at St. Patrick's Church in November.
At St. Patrick's Catholic church in November there will be a mission lasting ten days. The opening services will be on the 4th. Rev. Father Maloney of the Catholic University of Chicago, will be the principal speaker and he will be assisted by Rev. Father Maloney of the Catholic University of Chicago. The mission is to be held in the Catholic church of St. Patrick's church will have the pleasure of hearing the doctrines of their church clearly expounded. The mission is the revival of the evangelical churches with the expectation that there is not the emotional display seen in the latter. The speakers at the mission are by argument rather than by exhortation to carry conviction to their hearers.

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155 North Water Street

ELKS WILL DO IT
Decatur Will Have a Street Fair and Carnival in October.

WORK ALREADY COMMENCED
Will Be Different From All Previous Attempts But All Changes Will Be Only for the Better.

SIX CONTINUOUS DAYS OF FROLIC
Decatur is to have a street fair and carnival in October that will according to the prophets "knock the socks off" a competing event given in Decatur.

The fact that the Elks Lodge is taking charge is a guarantee that the knowledge will be a successful one. Last night there was a called meeting of the Elks and they were largely attended. The meeting was for the purpose of considering the details of the venture and it was unanimously decided that the venture should be made.

Alderman Joe Hisey was made chairman of the executive committee and H. O. Rouse and H. L. McDaniel were made members of the committee. There is to be a street fair something after the fashion that Decatur has known in the past. It is to be a fair in an enclosure. The enclosure will occupy a block of ground. Inside there will be Turkish and Japanese bazaars, a German village, a fair of Cairo, and all of the delightful amusements of a fair. At night there will be fireworks displays.

The fact that there is to be an enclosure will not in the least detract from the street show for there will be as many as there have been in the past. The carnival will last six days and many nights. There will be no lot in the pleasure from the time it starts on Monday morning until the curtain is rung down Saturday night. The Elks are going into the business for the fun of the thing. The fact that the Elks are doing this is a full endorsement of the business. The Elks are inspired the Elks to give the town a waking up.

The opening feature will be a parade on Monday afternoon. Maybe you recall the circus parade given by the Elks—was that a winner but it won't be in with the parade they will give us the opening of carnival week. The procession will be led by a brigade of the Queen's Guard, followed by a full company of the Elks. Richard O. Rouse will be in command of that brigade.

The parade will be followed by a circus in which will be the queen of the carnival, and then a procession of decorated carriages—a repetition of the parade given last year. There will be a parade of prizes given to the decorated carriages and the spectators will be given a full view of the parade. It is known there will be more carriages.

In addition to the entertainments to be offered in the enclosure there will be a big lot of exhibits by the merchants for that part of the fair will not be neglected. On the quiet the Elks have already secured a big list of attractions which will be invited to attend. The exhibitors here in the past have made such a successful week that the Elks are sure to have a good show. The Elks are expected to give every thing that is wanted.

The exact date has not been fixed. The expectation is that it will be the last of October, perhaps beginning October 22nd. The railroad will be asked to give the same rates they did during the carnival last year.

The entire lodge of Elks is a committee for the carnival and fair is a sure thing and the Elks have never yet taken their eyes off the prize and they have an intention of doing it this time.

RALLY AT LONG CREEK.

Republicans Meet and Organize and Hear Speeches.

The republicans of Long Creek township held their first Friday evening meeting at the town hall in Long Creek. The meeting was well attended and the meeting was a successful one. The meeting was held in the town hall and the meeting was a successful one. The meeting was held in the town hall and the meeting was a successful one.

Confirman McDougal presided and the meeting was a successful one. The meeting was held in the town hall and the meeting was a successful one. The meeting was held in the town hall and the meeting was a successful one.

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